Mountain Weather Forecast

North Grampian

Including North and West Cairngorms National Park, Monadhliath, Ben Alder, Creag Meagaidh, Loch Ericht and Loch Rannoch
Forecast valid from 00:00 on Sunday 26 Mar 2023 until 23:59 on Monday 27 Mar 2023

Forecast Issued on Saturday 25 Mar 2023 at 14:29 by Met Office Aberdeen

Confidence: Generally high confidence for cold, showery conditions on Sunday, dry Monday and turning wetter and milder from Tuesday.

Headline for Sunday 26 Mar 2023: Sunny spells but cold with wintry showers.

Mountain weather hazards on Sunday 26 Mar 2023

Blizzards No Likelihood	**Heavy persistent snow** No Likelihood	**Storm force winds** No Likelihood
Gales No Likelihood	**Severe chill effect** High Likelihood	**Poor visibility** Low Likelihood
Thunderstorms No Likelihood	**Heavy persistent rain** No Likelihood	**Strong sunlight** No Likelihood

Weather and chance of precipitation at 800m							
Time							
00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00
Light snow	Partly cloudy (night)	Light snow showers (night)	Light snow showers	Light snow showers	Sunny intervals	Sunny intervals	Partly cloudy (night)
Precipitation probability							
40%	30%	40%	60%	40%	30%	30%	20%

Forecast for Sunday 26 Mar 2023

Weather: Cloud and outbreaks of sleet or snow in the south clearing southwards through the early hours, leaving clear spells, and a few wintry showers in the north. Scattered showers pushing further south through the morning, becoming less frequent during the afternoon. Mainly dry and clear by late evening.

Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 800m: 40% during the early hours, improving to 70% or higher by morning.

Low cloud and visibility: Poor or very poor visibility in snow with broken cloud base 500-700m in the south at first, soon breaking up. Otherwise good visibility but temporarily reducing to poor or very poor in snow showers, with scattered low cloud, base 400-600m.

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Height (m)	Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph)					Wind Direction (blowing from)			
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1300	17/23 E	17/23 NE	21/28 N	23/31 N	22/30 N	24/33 N	23/32 N	23/32 N	20/27 NW
900	16/21 E	15/19 NE	17/22 NE	20/26 N	18/24 N	19/26 N	18/25 N	18/24 NW	14/19 NW
600	9/14 E	8/13 NE	10/14 NE	14/20 N	14/20 N	14/21 N	12/19 N	9/15 NW	8/13 NW
300	4/11 E	4/11 NE	6/14 NE	11/22 N	10/22 N	10/21 N	7/16 N	4/13 NW	4/10 NW
Glen	2/9 NE	3/10 N	4/14 N	6/19 N	8/20 N	6/18 N	5/17 N	4/16 NW	4/14 NW

Height (m)	Temperature / Feels Like (°C)								
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1300	-7/-15	-8/-16	-8/-17	-8/-17	-8/-18	-8/-18	-9/-19	-10/-20	-10/-20
900	-4/-10	-4/-11	-5/-12	-4/-12	-5/-12	-4/-12	-5/-13	-7/-14	-7/-14
600	-1/-6	-2/-6	-3/-8	-2/-8	-2/-8	-2/-8	-3/-9	-4/-9	-4/-9
300	0/-2	-0/-3	-1/-4	-0/-5	1/-3	1/-3	-0/-4	-2/-5	-2/-5
Glen	0/-1	-2/-2	-1/-4	1/-4	2/-2	3/-1	1/-2	-1/-5	-3/-5
Freezing Level*	200m	200m	100m	100m	100m	00m	00m	00m	00m

**Level above which ground is expected to be frozen/snow is expected to settle.*

Met Office Aberdeen Meteorologist's View
Be aware of the very cold feels like temperatures at height, despite the sunshine.

Forecast for Monday 27 Mar 2023
Weather: Dry with prolonged sunshine throughout the day.

Maximum wind: Northerly 10-15 mph at first, becoming light, then southwesterly 10-15 mph gust 25 mph by evening.

Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 800m: >90%

Low cloud and visibility: Very good visibility.

Temperature: **Glens:** Minus 2 rising to plus 6 Celsius.
At 800m: Minus 7 rising to minus 2 Celsius.
Freezing level: At the surface, rising to 400m later.

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